

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION	DOCKET NO. TF-03-127
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**ORDER DOCKETING PROPOSED TARIFF FILING
FOR FURTHER REVIEW**

(Issued May 15, 2003)

On April 21, 2003, Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a proposed tariff designed to make changes to Atmos's budget payment plan. The proposed tariff has been identified as Docket No. TF-03-127. The proposed changes to the budget payment plan appear to be inconsistent with the requirements of 199 IAC 19.4(11) of the Board's rules regarding level payment plans. To allow time for additional review and an opportunity for Atmos to file for a waiver of subrule 19.4(11), the Board will docket the proposed tariff for further review. The Board will not establish a procedural schedule until it has completed its review and has considered any waiver request that may be filed by Atmos.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Tariff filing TF-03-127 is docketed for further review.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 15th day of May, 2003.